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## **Advisory Announcement**

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## SOUTHEAST ALASKA/YAKUTAT WINTER TROLL FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the commercial winter troll fishery for Chinook salmon will close in all waters of Southeast Alaska/Yakutat at 11:59 p.m., Sunday, March 15, 2020.

During the 2018 Alaska Board of Fisheries meeting held in Sitka, action plans were adopted giving the department direction, through emergency order authority, to conserve wild Southeast Alaska Chinook salmon. Provisions under the Unuk River action plan specify that notwithstanding any remaining portion of the 45,000 non-Alaska hatchery-produced Chinook salmon guideline harvest level, the commercial winter troll fishery will close in all waters of Southeast Alaska/Yakutat on March 15.

The Southeast Alaska Chinook salmon action plans can be found at the links below:

- Unuk River King Salmon Stock Status and Action Plan, 2018: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/FedAidPDFs/RIR.1J.2018.04.pdf
- Chilkat River and King Salmon River King Salmon Stock Status and Action Plan, 2018: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/FedAidPDFs/RIR.1J.2018.05.pdf

Information regarding plans for spring troll fisheries will be announced in the 2020 Spring Troll Fishery Management Plan and by advisory announcement during the month of April.

The Emergency Order corresponding to this announcement is EO 1S0120.

Advisory announcement website: <a href="http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main">http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main</a>.

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